

# FIRST ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## Board of Managers

OF THE

# HARRISBURG HOSPITAL,

TO THE

Contributors, at their Meeting, May 4, 1874,

TOGETHER WITH THE

ACCOUNT OF THE TREASURER, A LIST OF THE CONTRIBUTORS  
IN CASH UP TO SAID DATE, AND THE REPORT OF THE  
SURGEONS AND PHYSICIANS; TO WHICH ARE  
ADDED THE CHARTER AND BY-LAWS  
OF THE INSTITUTION.

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# HARRISBURG HOSPITAL,

## MULBERRY, NEAR FRONT STREET.

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### *Managers,*

JAMES McCORMICK,  
*President.*

A. BOYD HAMILTON,  
*Secretary.*

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HENRY GILBERT.

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JAMES W. WEIR.

### *Visiting Surgeons,*

GEO. W. RUEDI, M. D.  
THOS. J. DUNOTT, M. D.

### *Visiting Physicians,*

JOHN J. APPLEBAUGH, M. D.  
JOHN L. McKEEHAN, M. D.

### *Steward,*

JAMES PORTER.

### *Matron,*

Mrs. NANCY JANE PORTER.

# REPORT

OF THE

## BOARD OF MANAGERS.

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### *To the Contributors to the Harrisburg Hospital:*

This being the first annual report of the Managers, a short history of the origin, as well as of the operations of the Institution, will not be considered out of place. On the evening of the third of December, eighteen hundred and seventy-two, a meeting took place in the Directors' room of the Harrisburg National Bank for conference in relation to the establishment of an Hospital and Dispensary in the city of Harrisburg. The following named gentlemen were present: James McCormick, Jr., Henry McCormick, J. Donald Cameron, William Calder, James W. Weir, A. Boyd Hamilton, James Fleming, W. O. Hickok, Herman Alricks, Wayne McVeagh, David Fleming, Henry Gilbert and Rudolph F. Kelker.

A Committee was appointed to take the matter into consideration to confer with the Commissioners and Directors of the Poor of Dauphin county, and to report at a meeting to be held one week later. On the 10th of December this Committee reported progress, and were continued.

All efforts to secure the co-operation of the County authorities having failed, another meeting of those interested was held on the 25th of February, 1873, at which it was resolved to establish a Hospital and Dispensary. Committees were appointed severally to draft proper regulations, to raise money, and to rent a house suitable for a Hospital. On the 18th of March, the form of a charter was approved and subscriptions to the amount of \$4,335 reported. It was found impossible to rent a suitable house. The proper Committee was then authorized to purchase a property, and the officers empowered to call a future meeting of contributors. On the 20th May Committees reported that the contributors had been incorporated by the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania on the 4th day of April, 1873; and that the large brick school house with lot of

ground 85 by 105 feet, situated on Mulberry near Front street, had been purchased for the sum of \$7,000. The charter was accepted and the purchase ratified.

Pursuant to an authorized call the contributors assembled on the 31st of May, in the lecture room of the First Presbyterian Church. Rudolph F. Kelker was appointed Chairman, and A. Boyd Hamilton Secretary. By request James W. Weir invoked the Divine blessing upon the enterprise. Jones Wister and Dr. Henry L. Orth were chosen tellers, and an election for Managers held with the following result: J. D. Cameron, William Calder, Henry McCormick, James McCormick, D. C. Kolp, Jones Wister, Rudolph F. Kelker, John Curwen, M. D., A. Boyd Hamilton, R. A. Lamberton, D. W. Gross, Geo. W. Reily, M. D., and James W. Weir, Treasurer. On the 5th of June these gentlemen met and organized by the election of James McCormick, President, and A. Boyd Hamilton, Secretary. James Porter was elected Steward and Mrs. Nancy Jane Porter Matron of the Hospital. Measures were adopted to repair and equip the building for occupancy.

On the 4th day of August, 1873, this work having been accomplished, the Hospital was formally dedicated with religious services. In accordance with the invitation, a large number of ladies and gentlemen were present, as were the officers of the Institution and those who had contributed to its purchase and outfit. The services were opened by the following prayer by Rev. R. J. Keeling, of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church:

## PRAYER.

Almighty and Ever-living God! Father of mercies, and Fountain of all goodness! We invoke Thy special presence with us to-day. We ask Thy blessing upon this gathering of Christian people now assembled in Thy name, and upon the object for which they are assembled. We rejoice to believe the purpose of this hour is in accordance with Thy Divine attributes of mercy and compassion, and the spirit and precepts of Thy Word. We are living in a world of sickness, suffering and death, and yet we acknowledge that these things are not inherent in the works of Thy hands, but are the results of man's infraction and transgression of Thy law. Thou knowest our frame and rememberest that we are but dust. Thou healest our infirmities and givest medicine to heal our sickness. Thou hast not suffered our race to feel the full effect of their sins, but on the system of Thy immutable laws, Thou hast engrafted remedial systems of mercy and grace. The minerals of the earth, and the herbs of the forest subjugate disease, and minister to human health and comfort. Thou

hast put into the hearts of men generous impulses, that lead them out of self, and move them to compassionate, and relieve the sufferings of their fellow men. It is also of Thy Providence that a professional class are raised up, whose holy function it is to stand by beds of disease and suffering, and minister to human comfort. Thou hast endowed men with intellectual faculties, with which they acquire intelligence, investigate the laws of the human frame, and ascertain the natural properties of things, that they may combat the diseases of humanity and relieve human suffering. All these are so many indications of Thy goodness; they teach us that in the midst of wrath, Thou rememberest mercy, and hast not suffered man to bear the full deserts of sin. And now, Heavenly Father, we are gathered together to-day, to begin an organized plan for the relief of human suffering, and we would invoke Thy blessing and guidance. Bless the founders and patrons of this enterprise; let them realize the comfort of Thy promise, "Blessed is the man that considereth the poor and needy." Bless the medical staff who shall serve in this house. Fill them with a solemn sense of professional responsibility, and bless the exercise of their care and skill in the treatment of disease. Bless the officers and agents entrusted with the management of this Hospital. Let them not labor in the spirit of worldly employment, but whatever their hands shall find to do in the line of duty may they do it heartily as unto the Lord. Bless the future patients in this house, those whom Thou shalt call to pass under the rod and to suffer affliction. Grant that they may not only be healed of their diseases and restored to health, but that they may go forth from these doors with an added sense of the Divine Goodness, and with grateful thoughts of the kindness and forethought of their fellow men. And now in the name of the Triune God, we dedicate this building to its appointed uses, to be a Hospital for the relief of the suffering and afflicted, the sick and the wounded. In the Name of the *Father*, who is the Father of lights, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift; in the Name of the *Son*, who came with healing on his wing—the Great Physician, who healed the sick, comforted the distressed, and went about doing good; in the Name of the *Holy Ghost*, the Comforter, by whose efficacy alone, we enjoy the manifold grace of God, guide and direct, we beseech Thee, this enterprise of Christian beneficence in all its work, and further it with Thy continual help, that it may stand before this community as a tangible and effective expression of the law and spirit of Christ, and to Thy Name be all the glory, now and ever. Amen.

Col. Henry McCormick read the reports of the Committees on Collection of Funds and Repairs to Building.



As directed in the programme, Rudolph F. Kelker made a verbal report of the success with which Providence had crowned the efforts of those who had projected the Institution. Robert A. Lamberton, Esq., then delivered an eloquent address, in which he gave a concise history of the inception and progress of the work, and made an earnest appeal to those present to continue their liberal support.

Rev. James Calder, D. D., offered the closing prayer and benediction, and the Hospital was then declared formally opened.

On the next day the first patients were received, and from that date until the present, the Divine blessing seems to have been upon the Institution, providing for our wants as they have arisen from time to time, and moving the hearts of many to contribute to its support. Our original impressions as to the necessity of an institution of the kind in our city, have not only been confirmed, but looking to the near future, we have taken measures to secure the two-story brick house on Front street near Mulberry, with lot of ground about 25 by 90 feet, which adjoins the South-west line of the Hospital lot. It is contemplated thus to afford an entrance to the Hospital from Front street, to remove the present house, make an open front yard, and erect a building on the lot to accommodate the Steward's family, the domestics and employees, and in which also the domestic services required for the Institution may be performed. This improvement will then allow the use of the entire present Hospital building, and will give male and female, surgical and medical Wards. We have agreed to purchase the Front street property, which is now owned by the School Board of our city, for the sum of two thousand dollars. The further sum of two thousand dollars will be required to make the necessary improvements, and about four thousand dollars to defray the current expenses of the Institution for the year to come, making in all eight thousand dollars for the year 1874-5. To you, then, who have so generously founded and thus far maintained the Institution, WHICH IS NOW ENTIRELY FREE FROM DEBT, we confidently appeal for this sum, and not to you only, but to all our fellow citizens whom you can influence to unite with you in this blessed work. The practical operations of this Hospital during the nine months of its existence have thoroughly convinced the Managers that it is one of the noblest charities of this city. Our Surgeons and Physicians, Steward, Matron and Employees, have been assiduous in their attentions to those placed under their care, and the Christian kindness which has marked all their efforts to alleviate human suffering, have greatly contributed to make our infant Institution what you intended it should be, a temporary Home for the

cure of the sick and injured, where all that human skill and kind attention could do should be brought into requisition.

Details of the expenses incurred, and of the medical and surgical operations will be found in the abstracts of the Treasurer's statement and of the Report of our Surgeons and Physicians. We close this report with feelings of devout gratitude to our Divine Saviour for all that He has done for the Institution in the past, and humbly imploring Him permanently to establish it in the sympathies and affections of all our citizens, so that it may prove a perpetual blessing in this community.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES McCORMICK,

*President.*

A. BOYD HAMILTON,

*Secretary.*

May 4, 1874.

*[Signature]*

# RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

*Of JAMES W. WEIR, Treasurer, during the year up to May, 4, 1874.*

## RECEIPTS.

From donations.....	\$10,716 16
“ Sunday Schools and others, for bedsteads and bedding,	630 00
Yearly beds, viz :	
From Mrs. Mary Cameron.....	365 00
“ Mrs. Eliza McCormick.....	365 00
“ J. Donald Cameron.....	365 00
“ Harrisburg Car Manufacturing Company.....	365 00
From pay patients, viz :	
Charles J. Barnitz, for his son.....	55 56
H. Mehr.....	12 15
Catharine Kroehl’s nephews.....	32 50
John Emmert.....	63 00
L. Kline.....	15 00
Hamlin Russel.....	60 00
R. F. Kelker’s Bible Class, for care of Robert Cairnes,	24 00
Directors of the Poor, for Mary Bolden.....	14 00
J. Mulhall.....	10 00
Total receipts.....	<u>\$13,092 47</u>

## PAYMENTS.

Hospital building and interest.....	\$7,031 50
Insurance, \$153; charter, \$25.....	178 00
Repairs—re-fitting, from purchase to May 4, 1874.....	1,384 14
Total cost of building, to May 4, 1874.....	8,593 64
Furniture, bedding, bedsteads, muslins, &c. ....	1,499 39
Surgical instruments and splints.....	134 60
Blankbooks, stationery, printing.....	139 20
Steward’s salary, nine months.....	337 50
Amount carried forward.....	<u>\$10,704 33</u>



Amount brought forward.....	\$10,704 33
Matron's salary, nine months .....	187 52
Wages to male nurses.....	62 50
“ female nurses.....	50 00
“ domestics .....	192 00
Groceries.....	194 80
Marketing .....	279 55
Meat.....	171 31
Flour and bread.....	85 89
Milk .....	91 43
Coal.....	72 00
Medicines.....	132 59
Gas .....	49 80
Coffins and funeral expenses.....	56 50
Medical journals .....	24 00
Expressage, telegrams, postage, &c., Secretary's expenses.....	17 43
Conveying sick.....	25
Total payments .....	\$12,371 90
Balance in hands of Treasurer, May 4, 1874.....	720 57
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	\$13,092 47

MEMORANDA.—The editors of the *Harrisburg Telegraph*, *Morning Patriot* and *Staats Zeitung* advertised for the Hospital gratuitously.

A large number of contributions in kind have been received from many citizens, which have been recorded, with the names of the donors, in a book kept for that purpose, for all of which the managers return their sincere thanks.

## CONTRIBUTIONS IN CASH,

*Up to May 4, 1874.*

Mrs. Mary Cameron.....	\$1,000 00	Amount brought forward.....	\$6,975 00
James McCormick .....	1,000 00	James Cowden.....	50 00
Henry McCormick.....	1,000 00	L. M. Simon.....	10 00
J. Donald Cameron.....	500 00	W. H. Hyers.....	10 00
Mrs. Eliza McCormick.....	500 00	Geo. Bergner.....	50 00
William Calder.....	500 00	A. J. Herr.....	30 00
H. Hamilton, M. D.....	30 00	Geo. W. Meily.....	30 00
D. McCormick.....	30 00	D. Zortman.....	5 00
S. H. Simon.....	30 00	J. Shearer.....	5 00
Hamilton Alricks.....	50 00	Geo. W. Hunter.....	50 00
J. S. Haldeman.....	100 00	John A. Smull.....	30 00
D. W. Gross.....	30 00	G. M. McCauley.....	10 00
T. A. Hamilton.....	30 00	Dr. A. D. Rutherford.....	10 00
R. A. Lamberton.....	50 00	W. Breitingen.....	10 00
J. W. Weir.....	100 00	Dougherty Bros. & Co.....	50 00
Mrs. Julia Briggs.....	30 00	Zollinger & Burke.....	30 00
John J. Shoemaker.....	100 00	J. H. Brandt.....	20 00
Rud. F. Kelker.....	50 00	Pennsylvania Railroad.....	250 00
W. C. Hickok.....	100 00	Dr. Geo. Bailey.....	100 00
R. T. Hummel.....	25 00	Charles L. Bailey.....	100 00
Dr. G. W. Reily.....	100 00	Dr. E. H. Coover.....	50 00
J. J. Rebman.....	50 00	Dr. D. H. Coover.....	30 00
W. K. Alricks.....	30 00	H. M. Graydon.....	30 00
J. W. Glover.....	30 00	J. Porter.....	10 00
J. W. Simonton.....	30 00	Cash.....	50
R. J. Fleming.....	30 00	Employees Penn. freight house,	
A. K. Fahnestock.....	30 00	T. L. Wallace.....	22 00
Herman Alricks.....	30 00	S. D. Ingram.....	30 00
Dr. J. Seiler.....	30 00	Peter Bernheisel.....	2 00
R. T. J. Wister.....	100 00	J. G. Henderson.....	5 00
Aaron Bombaugh.....	30 00	T. Finley.....	30 00
D. Eppley.....	50 00	S. Singer.....	30 00
Mitchell & Haggerty.....	60 00	S. F. Barr.....	30 00
Dr. John Curwen.....	100 00	J. Uhler.....	20 00
D. C. Kolp.....	50 00	J. D. Boas.....	10 00
I. M. Kelker.....	50 00	B. G. Peters.....	10 00
H. A. Kelker.....	50 00	J. J. Dull.....	50 00
Agnes Crain.....	100 00	Roman Catholic Ben. Society...	60 00
Wm. Buehler.....	50 00	G. W. Simmons.....	10 00
J. C. Bomberger.....	50 00	Friend.....	5 00
D. Fleming.....	50 00	A. O. Hiester.....	30 00
Bigler & Sons.....	100 00	J. J. Pearson.....	50 00
J. B. Simon.....	50 00	F. A. Shuster.....	100 00
Dr. J. Fleming.....	30 00	J. DeHaven.....	30 00
F. Schnaebly.....	5 00	St. Vincent de Paul Society.....	30 00
J. R. Eby.....	100 00	Employees Gas Co.....	30 00
T. L. Wallace.....	25 00	Patrick McNiff.....	30 00
Anthony King.....	30 00	Employees Harrisburg Foun-	
J. Killinger.....	10 00	dry and Machine Works.....	75 00
J. A. Miller.....	10 00	P. R. R. Blacksmith shop.....	12 00
G. Macklin.....	10 00	Mr. Giles.....	1 00
L. A. Segelbaum.....	5 00	Mrs. John.....	25
Mrs. E. Brenizer.....	5 00	A. M. Zimmerman.....	30 00
J. G. Jauss.....	20 00	Cash.....	1 00
F. W. Yingst.....	5 00	Catharine Kunkel.....	100 00
E. Mather.....	5 00	Geo. Z. Kunkel.....	50 00
L. Christman.....	5 00	C. Gembe.....	5 00
J. F. Hartranft.....	10 00	S. S. Second Reformed Church,	9 36
Zollinger & Bro.....	15 00	A. B. Hamilton.....	100 00
Geo. H. Small.....	20 00	Dauphin Lodge, I. O. O. F.....	10 00
H. H. Long.....	5 00	Employees Central Iron Works,	23 00
M. G. Einstein.....	30 00	Northern Central Railway.....	100 00
J. & J. K. Greenawalt.....	25 00	Peter Reel and employees.....	20 00
J. H. Weiss.....	5 00	Cash.....	10
H. M. Myers.....	5 00	Cash.....	1 00
Mrs. Mary E. Ross.....	50 00	Mrs. Smith.....	5 00
L. H. Kinnard.....	10 00	Tableaux Little Girls.....	14 16
Fink & Boyer.....	20 00	Cash.....	3 60
Amount carried forward.....	\$6,975 00	Amount carried forward.....	\$9,119 91



# REPORT

OF THE

## SURGEONS & PHYSICIANS.

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HARRISBURG, *April 1, 1874.*

*To the Board of Managers of the Harrisburg Hospital :*

GENTLEMEN:—In obedience to universal custom, we respectfully present to you, a report of the cases treated within this institution and at the dispensary, since our appointment as its medical attendants. The total of cases, as yet, is too small to enable us to make any important general conclusions of a medical nature; but it is certainly large enough to show the absolute necessity for an hospital of this class.

For the history of cases, and their treatment, we refer to the case books, apologizing for the very brief accounts of individual cases there given. To present properly a record, minute in all its details would require the constant labor of an active clerk. A brief abstract of the important features and correct diagnosis are, therefore, the only objects aimed at in the note book of cases. The collection of statistics here presented, has been a work of very considerable labor. This, in the future, may be, to a great extent avoided, by using printed blanks for monthly statements, to be made out by the medical officer in charge. Their transfer to quarterly and yearly blanks will then be more efficiently and easily accomplished. It is most important that the surgical and medical records of a Hospital should be positively true, otherwise its reputation would be fictitious, and its statistics propagate error.

Trusting and hoping that the institution we have had the honor to serve may flourish and grow in vigor and usefulness, until every one of this community will be willing to give earnest encouragement towards its prosperity, we tender the following statistics as evidence of what it has already accomplished :

**ABSTRACT OF THE CASES of Patients treated in the Harrisburg  
Hospital for the period ending April 1, 1874.**

Surgical Cases.	Cured.	Relieved.	Not improved.	Died.	Total.	Remaining.
Fractures, simple, of the ribs.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
“ “ “ upper extremities,	3	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
“ “ “ lower extremities,	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....
Fractures, compound, of the cranium.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	.....
“ “ “ upper extremities	2	.....	.....	1*	3	.....
Wounds, contused.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
“ lacerated.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
“ gunshot.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Dislocations of the neck.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
Contusions and sprains.....	7	.....	.....	.....	7	.....
Diseases of bones and joints.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....
Diseases of the eye or ear.....	5	2	1	.....	8	4
Diseases of the urinary organs.....	.....	.....	.....	1†	1	.....
Diseases of the testicle.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Erysipelas, simple.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
“ gangrenous.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Chronic thickening of the skin.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Diseases of the rectum.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....
“ “ womb.....	2	1	.....	.....	3	1
Pelvic abscess.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
Pregnancy.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Burns and scalds.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Total.....	35	7	1	6	49	5
Medical Cases.						
Bronchitis, acute.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Pulmonary tuber culosis.....	.....	1	.....	1	2	.....
Pleuro pneumonia, (complicated,).....	.....	.....	.....	1‡	1	.....
Asthma.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....
Disease of the heart.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2	.....
Tonsillitis.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Diarrhœa, chronic.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Disease of the kidneys.....	.....	.....	.....	1§	1	.....
Anasarca.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Disease of the brain.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	.....
Fever, remittent.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
“ intermittent.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Debility.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Pregnancy.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Total medical cases.....	10	5	.....	3	18	.....
Surgical cases, total.....	35	7	1	6	49	5
Results of cases treated in Hospital.....	45	12	1	9	67	5

\* Lock jaw.    † Fistula of the bladder.    ‡ With dropsy of the side and both sides of chest and pericarditis.    § Bright's disease, with general dropsy.



ABSTRACT OF THE CASES of Patients treated in the Dispensary of  
Harrisburg Hospital for the period ending April 1, 1874.

Surgical Cases.	Cured.	Relieved.	Not relieved.	Result unknown.	Died.	Total.	Remaining.
Fractures, simple, of the superior ex- tremities .....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Wounds, lacerated.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Contusions and sprains.....	1	1*	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Diseases of bones and joints.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Diseases of eye or ear .....	6	2	.....	.....	.....	8	.....
Diseases of the urinary bladder.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	2	.....
Urinary fistula.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Uterine disease.....	.....	4	.....	1	.....	5	2†
Hernia Inguinal.....	.....	1‡	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Ulcers.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Abscess.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Burns and scalds.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Gonorrhœa, &c.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Syphilis.....	3	.....	.....	3	.....	6	.....
Varicoccele.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Tumor, malignant.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Unknown.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Piles.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Total.....	23	14	.....	7	.....	44	2

\* Transferred to alms house.

† Under treatment at this time.

‡ Incarcerated.

ABSTRACT OF THE CASES of *Patients treated in Dispensary of Harrisburg Hospital, for the period ending April 1, 1874.*

Medical Cases.	Cured.	Relieved.	Not relieved.	Result unknown.	Died.	Total.	Remaining.
Bronchitis.....	2	.....	.....	19	.....	21	.....
Consumption of the lungs.....	.....	1	.....	5	.....	6	.....
Asthma.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Angura pectoris.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Disease of the heart.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	4	.....
Tonsillitis.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....
Diarrhœa.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	3	.....
Dysentery.....	1	.....	.....	2	.....	3	.....
Dyspepsia.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	4	.....
Disease of the brain.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Disease of the spinal cord.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	3	.....
Epilepsy.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Neuralgia.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Anemiæ.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Rachitis.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Serofulosis.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Rheumatism.....	1	.....	.....	5	.....	6	.....
Pleurisy.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	3	.....
Catarrh of the urinary bladder.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Constipation.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Diseases of the skin.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	3	.....
Ulceration of the mouth.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Debility.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....
Intermittent fever.....	2	.....	.....	1	.....	3	.....
	16	10	.....	53	.....	79	.....
Not treated.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	6	.....
Total.....	16	10	.....	59	.....	85	.....

STATISTICS of the *Harrisburg Hospital* for the period from August 5,  
1873, to April 1, 1874.

	<i>Total.</i>
Admitted to hospital.....	67
"    dispensary.....	129
Total number receiving treatment.....	196

Of this number—

There were cured .....	84
There were relieved.....	36
There was no improvement in.....	1
There were fatal cases.....	9
Results unknown in.....	60
Not treated.....	6
Total.....	196

Of the cases treated in the Hospital—

There were surgical cases.....	49
There were medical cases.....	18
Total.....	67
Number of surgical cases cured.....	35
"    "    "    relieved .....	7
"    "    "    not relieved.....	1
"    "    "    died .....	6
of medical cases cured .....	10
"    "    "    relieved .....	5
"    "    "    died .....	3
Total.....	67

Of the cases treated in dispensary—

Number of surgical cases.....	44
"    "    medical cases.....	85
Total.....	196

DISPENSARY.

Total number treated.....	129
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Number of surgical cases.....	44	
“ “ medical cases .....	85	
		129
Number of surgical cases cured.....	23	
“ “ “ relieved.....	12	
“ “ “ remaining under treatment.....	2	
“ “ “ result unknown.....	7	
Total.....	44	
Number of medical cases cured.....	16	
“ “ “ relieved.....	10	
“ “ “ result unknown.....	59	
		85
Total treated in Dispensary.....		129
Total surgical cases treated.....		93
Total surgical cases cured.....		58
“ “ “ relieved .....		19
“ “ “ not relieved.....		1
“ “ “ result unknown.....		7
“ “ “ died.....		6
“ “ “ remaining under treatment.....		2
Total medical cases cured .....		26
“ “ “ relieved.....		15
“ “ “ died.....		3
“ “ “ result unknown.....		59
Total treated in both departments.....		196

RECORD OF FATAL CASES *of the Patients treated in Harrisburg Hospital, to April 1, 1874.*

1. William Allen, (colored.) Admitted for injuries of head, consequent upon rail road accident. The autopsy developed great injury to the brain, (red softening,) internal fracture, and purulent inflammation of the membranes.

2. William Baruitz—rail road accident. Admitted for compound com'd fracture of arm and elbow joint and foot. The case promised well, but was fatal from lock jaw.

3. John Emmert. Admitted for contusion to the thigh, but at the

time was suffering from extensive pleuro pneumonia and pericarditis. The diagnosis was completely confirmed by autopsy.

4. Charles Killian. Admitted for injury to neck, result of fall. Was completely paralysed from unilateral dislocation of the neck. Diagnosis confirmed by autopsy.

5. Aquilla Amos. Admitted for perineal fistula of long standing. Had been operated, before admission, without success. Cause of death, pyæmia. No autopsy permitted.

6. Catharine Kroel. Admitted with evident fracture of skull. Was insensible when admitted, and never rallied. Autopsy confirmed diagnosis and established rupture of middle meningeal artery.

7. Serena Helmsley. Admitted for some supposed form of fever, but examination during life discovered an extensive peritonitis consequent upon extravasation of blood during menstrual period in pelvis and abdomen. Autopsy confirmed diagnosis.

8. Robert Cairnes. Tubercular consumption. No autopsy.

9. James Shepstone. Chronic Bright's disease, with valvular disease of heart. Autopsy confirmed diagnosis.

#### PRESSCRIPTIONS.

	<i>No.</i>
Out-door relief.....	269
Hospital relief.....	240
Pay—prescriptions paid for by recipients.....	22
Total.....	<u>531</u>

Respectfully submitted.

THOMAS J. DUNOTT,  
G. W. RUEDI,  
*Hospital Surgeons.*  
JNO. J. APPLEBAUGH,  
J. L. McKEEHAN,  
*Hospital Physicians.*

*April 1, 1874.*



## ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

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# THE HARRISBURG HOSPITAL

FOR THE

RECEPTION AND CURE OF THE SICK AND INJURED.

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The subscribers, citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, have agreed to associate themselves for the purposes set forth in the following articles, and are desirous of acquiring and enjoying the powers and immunities of a corporation or body politic in law for the furtherance of such purposes.

We do, therefore, hereby associate ourselves for the objects and under the articles, conditions and name specified in the following articles:

### ARTICLE I.

This corporation shall be known by the name of the "HARRISBURG HOSPITAL FOR THE RECEPTION AND CURE OF THE SICK AND INJURED," and shall have full power and authority to make, have and use a common seal, with such device and inscription as they may deem proper, and the same to break, alter and renew at their pleasure, and by the name, style and title aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in any court or courts, before any judge or judges, justice or justices, in all manner of suits, complaints, pleas, causes, matters and demands whatsoever, and all and every matter or thing therein to do in as full and effectual a manner as any other person or persons, bodies politic and corporate within this Commonwealth, may or can do, and to make rules, by-laws and ordinances, and to do everything needful for the good government and support of the affairs of the said corporation: *Provided always*, That the said by-laws, rules and ordinances, or any of them, be not repugnant to the Constitution and laws of the United States, to the Constitution and

laws of this Commonwealth, or to this charter, and shall be able and capable in law to take and receive, hold and enjoy all manner of lands, tenements, rents, annuities, franchises and hereditaments, and any manner and portien of goods and chattels, given, bequeathed or devised to them, to be employed and disposed of according to the objects, articles and conditions hereof, or according to the articles and by-laws of this corporation, or according to the will and intention of the donors: *Provided always*, That the clear yearly income of the real and personal estate held by this corporation shall not at any time exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars, and the said corporation shall have and enjoy all the rights, powers, privileges, franchises and immunities incident by law to a corporation for the purpose of establishing, maintaining and managing a Hospital or Dispensary for the reception, cure and medical or surgical treatment of the sick and injured.

## ARTICLE II.

The object of this corporation is to establish, maintain and manage a Hospital and Dispensary in the city of Harrisburg, for the reception, cure and medical or surgical treatment of the sick and injured, and it shall have power to purchase land, erect or build or rent buildings, and perform such other acts as may be necessary to this object.

## ARTICLE III.

The management of this corporation shall be vested in a board composed of twelve Managers and a Treasurer, to be elected by the contributors, on the first Monday in May of each year, to serve one year and until others are chosen. Each contributor who shall have paid the sum of thirty dollars or more to the foundation, endowment or maintenance of said Hospital or Dispensary, shall be entitled to one vote at every such election. No loss or impediment to corporate powers shall take place by reason of any omission to elect, at the time specified, but the same managers shall continue to enjoy and exercise all the powers vested in them until an election shall duly be held on a succeeding anniversary of the said day.

## ARTICLE IV.

The Board of Managers shall meet regularly on the last Monday of every month, seven of their number constituting a quorum; and at the first meeting after their election in May, shall elect from their own number a President and Secretary,

and also such medical and other officers as may, in their judgment be required for the effective management of the Hospital and Dispensary. They shall have power to fill vacancies in their own body, which may be occasioned by death, resignation, removal from the county or otherwise, and the persons by them chosen shall continue to be Managers until the next annual election. Nothing in this article shall be constructed so as to prevent a re-election of the same Managers.

#### *ARTICLE V.*

The Board of Managers shall have control and charge of the property, the government, management, domestic economy, business and concerns of the Hospital and Dispensary, and shall have power to make all rules and regulations in their judgment necessary for the government, management and control of the Hospital and Dispensary, and of all persons employed in its service.

#### *ARTICLE VI.*

At all elections of Managers, the vote shall be taken by ballot. The persons voted for who shall have the highest number of votes shall be declared elected, and a written return of each election shall be certified by the person or persons appointed to conduct such election to the Board of Managers, and entered upon their minutes.

#### *ARTICLE VII.*

It shall be lawful for this corporation, as often as it may be desirous of improving, amending or altering this charter, to specify such desired improvements, alterations or amendments, and the same to exhibit and present to the Attorney General and the Supreme Court successively for their approval, and the same, when approved, certified and enrolled according to law, shall be taken to be a part of this charter to all intents and purposes as if the same had been originally made a part hereof.

J. D. CAMERON,

WM. CALDER,

JAS. McCORMICK,

HENRY McCORMICK,

RUDOLPH F. KELKER,

R. A. LAMBERTON,

JOHN CURWEN,

JONES WISTER,

D. W. GROSS,

JAS. W. WEIR,

GEORGE W. REILY,

CHARLES L. BAILEY,

J. J. REBMAN.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,  
HARRISBURG, *March 24, 1873.*

I hereby certify that I have perused and examined the within articles of association of the "Harrisburg Hospital for the Reception and Cure of the Sick and Injured," and am of opinion that the objects, articles and conditions therein contained are lawful.

SAM'L E. DIMMICK,  
*Attorney General.*


*Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Eastern District:*

We, the undersigned, Justices of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, have perused and examined the within articles of association of the Harrisburg Hospital for the Reception and Cure of the Sick and Injured, and are of the opinion that the objects, articles and conditions therein contained are lawful.

JOHN M. READ,  
DANIEL AGNEW,  
GEO. SHARSWOOD,  
HENRY W. WILLIAMS,  
ULYSSES MERCUR.

*Eastern District of Pennsylvania,  
City and County of Philadelphia:*

I, James Ross Snowden, Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in and for the Eastern district, do certify that the Honorable John M. Read, Daniel Agnew, George Sharswood, Henry W. Williams and Ulysses Mercur, by whom the certificate herein endorsed was made and given, were, at the time the same was given, and now are Justices of the said Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, and that their signatures thereto subscribed are genuine.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
 the seal of the said Supreme Court at Philadelphia,  
 this fourth day of April, A. D. 1873, Anno Domini  
 one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three.

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,  
*Prothonotary.*

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER,  
HARRISBURG, *May 6, 1873.*

TO Hon. M. S. QUAY,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth:*

SIR: Let the foregoing instrument of writing be enrolled according to law.

J. F. HARTRANFT,  
*Governor.*

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,  
HARRISBURG, *May 9, 1873.*

*Pennsylvania, ss:*

Enrolled in Charter Book, No. 8, pages 471, 472, 473, and 474. Witness my hand and seal of said office the day and year aforesaid.

[SEAL.]

M. S. QUAY,  
*Secretary of the Commonwealth.*





# RULES

ADOPTED BY THE

## CORPORATE CONTRIBUTORS,

*May 31, 1873.*

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1. The Managers of the Hospital, for the time being, shall have the power of disposing of all moneys paid to the Treasurer for the building, furnishing, support, use and service of the Hospital, and for the renting and furnishing a house or houses for the reception of patients until a Hospital shall be built.

2. They shall likewise have the power to direct the manner and terms of receiving and discharging patients; and all officers and servants belonging to the Hospital, other than the Treasurer, shall be appointed by and be under the direction of the Managers, who shall allow and order their respective salaries, and may displace them and appoint others.

3. The Managers shall have the power to call general meetings of the contributors as often as they judge it necessary for the service and advantage of the Hospital; and shall cause due and public notice to be given of the time, place, design or purpose of such occasional meeting, at least ten days before the same is to be held, and shall nominate some discreet member to preside therein.

4. They shall also settle the accounts with the Treasurer from time to time, and take care that all laws, rules and orders made by the contributors be duly and faithfully executed, for all which, or any other services relating to the Hospital, they shall not claim, receive or retain any fee, gratuity or reward whatsoever.

5. The Managers shall meet at least once a month at the Hospital, or some other fit place in the city of Harrisburg, to confer and conclude concerning the matters hereby committed to them; and shall cause fair minutes of their proceedings to be kept by their Secretary, in a book to be provided for that purpose, and seven Managers shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

6. That every Treasurer hereafter chosen shall, before entering on the duties of his office, enter into an obligation with one sufficient surety in double the value that may probably come into his hands, that he will, once in three months, or oftener, if required, render his accounts to the Managers of the Hospital, and well and truly account, adjust and settle with them when required, for and concerning all moneys that shall come into his hands belonging to the said contributors, and pay the balance that shall appear on such settlement to be in his hands unto such person or for such service as the Managers for the time being shall order and appoint, and not otherwise, and that he will at the expiration of his office, well and truly deliver up and pay the balance of the money then remaining in his hands, together with the book of accounts concerning the same, and all other papers and writings in his keeping belonging to the contributors, unto his successors in said office.

7. That the place and hour of the election for Managers shall be appointed by the Managers of the current year, and notified by their Secretary at least twenty days before the election, by printed advertisements; and the said Managers shall and are hereby required and empowered to nominate three discreet members of the corporation to inspect and judge of the said election, and declare who are the persons elected, and the Managers shall cause their Secretary to enter in their book of minutes the names of the persons elected, according to the tickets.

8. That before the Managers, for the time being, proceed to erect any building for the said Hospital, a plan of such proposed building, with an estimate of the expense, shall be prepared and laid before the general meeting of the contributors for their consideration; and the approbation of the majority present at any meeting shall be obtained before the same is carried into execution.

9. That any individual, corporation or manufacturing company who shall contribute the sum of three hundred and sixty-five dollars shall, upon the payment of the same into the treasury, have the right to nominate and send in one patient regularly to the Hospital during one year thereafter, subject to the regulations ordained in the By-Laws.

# BY-LAWS

ADOPTED BY THE MANAGERS,

*November 4, 1873.*

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## Managers.

1. The stated meetings of the Board of Managers shall be held at the Hospital, on the last Monday of each month, to assemble at three, P. M. A special meeting shall be called at any time by the President, on the written request of four members of the Board.

2. The Managers shall, at their first meeting after their election, in the month of May, every year, choose by ballot four Doctors in Medicine, two of whom shall be the Visiting Physicians and two the Visiting Surgeons. They shall also choose, at the same time, a Steward, a Matron, and such other officers as may from time to time be found necessary for the proper administration of the Hospital and Dispensary.

3. No Physician shall act as a Manager during the term for which he is chosen to serve the Hospital in a professional capacity.

## Attending Managers.

1. A committee of two Managers, to be called the Attending Managers, shall be appointed monthly, whose duty it shall be generally to supervise the affairs of the Hospital, and who shall have the sole power to admit and discharge patients.

2. They shall attend at the Hospital on Wednesday and Saturday of every week, at two o'clock, P. M., for the above purposes.

3. They shall keep regular minutes of the admissions and discharges of patients, and shall insert therein all orders given by them on the Treasurer for the expenditure of money.

## Treasurer.

1. The Treasurer shall pay out money only on the order of

the Attending Managers, and shall keep a regular account of his receipts and disbursements, to be vouched for and laid before the Board once a month, or oftener, if required by them.

### Physicians.

1. The medical practitioners chosen to serve this Hospital shall be classed with each other, and give their attendance at such seasons as shall be agreed upon by themselves and the Managers.

2. The Physician and Surgeon on duty shall visit their respective wards daily, in the forenoon, and at such other times as may be necessary for the faithful performance of their duties.

3. Except in cases of emergency, no important surgical operation shall be performed without a previous consultation, of which all the Surgeons and Physicians have due notice.

4. The Physicians and Surgeons shall have power to establish rules for the regulation of their respective wards, to be framed and hung up therein, subject to the approval of the Managers.

5. The Physician in charge for the time being of the Dispensary shall visit the Hospital daily except Sunday, at such hours as may be agreed upon between the Physicians and Surgeons, and shall examine and prescribe for all patients who may present themselves, keeping a regular record of the number of persons and the character of their disease in a book provided for that purpose.

6. The Physician and Surgeon on duty shall record all cases of practice and of surgical operations in books provided for that purpose; shall also keep records of every case in their charge, and (permission of the friends of the decedent being first obtained) make such autopsies as may be desired. They shall also have a general superintendence of the nurses, and shall promptly report to the Steward and attending Managers all instances of neglect of duty.

7. It shall be the duty of the Surgeon or Physician on duty to write legibly the diagnosis of each case on the admission card suspended over the bed of the patient as soon after admission as practicable.

8. The Surgeons who have charge of the surgical ward shall have the instruments kept in order, and be accountable therefor during their term of service. They shall preserve an inventory of them; which, together with the instruments, they shall deliver to their successors. No instrument of any kind is to be loaned to any one without the written order of the attending Managers on duty.



9. Should any patient, at the time of his or her admission, request of the Steward or attending Managers to be treated by a Homeopathic Physician, the request shall be granted, and the Steward shall immediately notify such Homeopathic Physician of Harrisburg as may agree to serve the Hospital gratuitously for the time being.

### Steward and Matron.

1. The Steward shall have the general care of the building, subject to the direction of the attending Managers. The fuel, furniture, food and stores of all kinds shall be purchased by him, under the direction of the Attending Managers. He shall hire all the nurses and domestics, at such rates as the Attending Managers shall approve, and discharge them when he thinks proper. He shall attend to the proper warming and ventilation of the house in winter, and see that the nurses generally do their duty.

2. The Matron shall have particular supervision of the wards and buildings as to their cleanliness, and the good order of the bedding and clothing used therein; and, subject to the directions of the Physicians, shall superintend the preparation and distribution of the food and diet of the patients. She shall have the general control of the domestics, and, in conjunction with the Steward, take care that the patients are well treated and attended to by the nurses.

### Nurses and Servants.

1. The Nurses shall faithfully attend to the patients under their charge, and obey implicitly the directions of the Attending Physicians, Surgeons and Steward in regard to them, and shall see that they behave with propriety and observe all the regulations of the Institution, and shall report any irregularity or breach of rule to the Steward.

2. Any Nurse who shall refuse or neglect to follow the directions of the Attending Physicians, Surgeons or Steward, as above, or who shall be negligent or inattentive in his or her duties generally, shall be at once discharged by the Steward.

3. None of the Nurses or domestics employed in the Hospital shall absent themselves from their duties therein, without having first obtained permission from the Steward or Matron.

### Admission and Discharge of Patients.

1. Persons accidentally wounded or otherwise injured shall be received at all hours, subject to the approval of the Attend-

ing Managers, at their next meeting after such admission, and to such other rules in the matter as the Board of Managers shall from time to time enact: *Provided always*, That the accident or injury happened in Pennsylvania, and the patient is brought to this Hospital within twenty-four hours after its occurrence.

2. The Attending Managers on duty shall have the power of admitting poor or charity patients, subject to the By-Laws and Rules governing the admission of patients into the Hospital. The admission, in all cases shall be by printed certificate of name, age, place of nativity, occupation, whether married or single, and of the disease, under the signature of the doctor and Attending Managers admitting. Whenever practicable, security shall be required for the clothing of the patient, and for his or her removal when discharged. All admissions and discharges shall be registered in a book provided for that purpose.

3. No person having any syphilitic, infectious or contagious disease shall be admitted into this Hospital.

4. No patient shall be admitted into this Institution whose case is judged to be incurable.

6. Pay patients may be admitted by the attending Managers, on the certificate of a Hospital Physician, at a boarding rate of not less than seven dollars a week; and they shall give good security for the payment of the same, at the time of their admission.

6. All patients shall be discharged as soon as they are cured, and such also whose cases, after a reasonable time of trial, shall be judged incurable, under the direction of the Physician or Surgeon on duty and the Attending Managers.

### Patients.

1. The patients shall conduct themselves with decorum towards each other, the officers of the Hospital, nurses and servants. They shall not smoke tobacco or play at any game of chance in the Hospital, on pain of immediate expulsion therefrom.

2. No liquors, provisions or medicines of any kind shall be furnished to any of the patients by their friends; and no patient shall be permitted the use of any diet prepared in the house other than that which may be ordered by the proper officers.

3. No patient shall be allowed to leave the Hospital while under treatment, except by special permission of the Physicians and Steward.

4. Such charity patients as are able shall give assistance in nursing or otherwise when required to do so by a Physician or the Steward or Matron.

5. If any breach occur in any of the above rules, the offender shall be liable to be discharged by the Attending Managers or, in their absence, by the Steward, who shall report to them.

6. No reading in bed at night, neither by patients or by any person connected with the establishment, shall be allowed.

### Visitors.

1. Visitors to a patient may be admitted every day, from 2 to 3 o'clock, P. M., except on Sunday.

On entering the Hospital, they shall apply to the Steward or Matron, and shall not ramble over the house or grounds, but shall immediately be directed to the apartment in which the patient may be; and after a reasonable time they shall withdraw from the premises.

2. No visitor shall lodge in the Hospital without permission of the Steward.

### Amendments.

1. The By-Laws may be amended by the vote of a majority of the Board of Managers. The amendment to be proposed in writing at one meeting of the Board, and acted on at the next or a subsequent meeting.

2. Amendments to the Rules to be proposed in writing at one meeting of the contributors, and adopted at a subsequent meeting.

